

ARE OPPOSED TO ANY CHANGE IN LAW

(From Thursday Advertiser)

Bankers, heads of trust companies and others, representing many millions of dollars in capital in which they are directly interested and additional millions placed in the care by patrons of banks and trust companies in the Territory, were present at a meeting of the senate committee on ways and means yesterday afternoon to protest against the passage of senate bills Nos. 18, 19, 20 and 21, which have been introduced by Senator Brown, who is a banker.

Bill 18 provides for the appointment of a bank examiner. The other three propose what many claim are radical, if not revolutionary and dangerous, amendments to the banking and trust company laws of Hawaii.

At the meeting yesterday the opponents of the bills did not make any effort to mince words. A. Lewis, Jr., one of a committee of three selected by the bankers and trust companies, strongly intimated that Senator Brown had more than a public interest in the proposed legislation and called upon the senator to show where a demand for a change in the present laws had come from the people.

Mr. Lewis showed that under the present laws, which have been in effect since 1894 and 1905, there has not been a single bank failure in the Territory. He added that the proposed changes by Senator Brown are opposed by every bank and trust company in Honolulu, with the exception of the First National Bank and the First American Trust Company, of which, said the speaker, Senator Brown is the head.

Ignored Invitation.

It was shown further that Senator Brown had been invited to attend a meeting of those who would be affected by the so-called radical legislation. Senator Brown, said the speaker, did not deem it necessary to accept the invitation and aid in the discussion of the measures.

"If it can be pointed out," said Lewis, "where our present laws need changing the legislature can easily arrange for the appointment of a commission to see that the needed legislation is enacted."

Lewis was followed by W. O. Smith. He also pointed out the danger of allowing banks and trust companies to mix their funds, as would be permissible under the Brown bills.

E. I. Spalding intimated that Senator Brown was favoring the bills with a view of receiving benefits for his own bank. Spalding stated that the same purpose could be accomplished by Senator Brown securing a trust company license.

"This would enable him to do the things he now seeks to accomplish by breaking down our banking laws," said the speaker.

"Richard Trent was equally emphatic in his opposition to the measures."

"These bills might become a serious menace to the welfare of the people of the Territory of Hawaii," he concluded after pointing out the dangers of meddling with the present, excellent banking and trust company laws of the Territory.

Opposition General.

Herbert Walker, William W. Chamberlain, John R. Clark and a dozen others, equally prominent in banking circles, were present, ready to voice their opposition.

Lewis stated that the committee was not prepared at that time to present a detailed argument against senate bill 18, which provides for the appointment of a bank examiner. He asked that a future date be set for this. Senator Rice of the ways and means committee fixed Thursday, March 13, at three o'clock, as the time. In the meantime action on the four bills favored by Senator Brown will be deferred.

Senator Brown, who is a member of the ways and means committee, was present at the meeting yesterday. He attempted no defense of his measures beyond stating that they are necessary. The action yesterday means reopening a fight which was one of the features of the senate session two years ago. At that time similar legislation was attempted and after several spirited sessions of the ways and means committee, two of the bills were tabled and a third, providing for the appointment of a bank examiner, was defeated by a close vote.

COAST POLICE SEEKING HORSEMAN H. R. SMITH

A special dispatch from Stockton, California, to San Francisco under date of February 22, says:

Homer R. Smith, who came to this city a fortnight ago and who is said to be the son of a former Stockton postmaster and connected with a wealthy California family, is sought by agents of the district attorney's office. Smith is charged with having issued a check for \$50, which was returned with the stamp "no funds."

Smith has posed in this city as a buyer of horses and mules for the United States Army. He has been a familiar figure in the saloons and cafes, and in two instances, it is said, he has requested accommodations that led to the cashing of checks for amounts ranging from \$10 to \$20.

The complaint in the hands of the district attorney was prepared at the instance of the D. S. Rosenbaum & Sons Company, where Smith is alleged to have procured a suit of clothes and given the check in payment.

Henry Berry of the Los Angeles ball team is going to lose one of his most promising recruits, Harry Vanden. Harry's mother leaves in the East and is at an age when she cannot travel. Very much wanted in the East, Harry would not leave his mother, so Berry will allow him to play base his home town.

APPORTIONMENT SPECIAL ORDER

SENATE WILL CLASH OVER THIS BILL NEXT WEEK—MUCH OPPOSITION.

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What many believe will prove one of the hardest battles of the present session of the legislature is scheduled in the senate for Wednesday, March 12 next. The consideration of senate bill 22, introduced by Senator Brown, was set for that date at the afternoon session yesterday. The bill had been placed on the special order file for yesterday, but because of the illness of Senator Hewitt, a motion to defer was made.

This is the act which reapportions the senatorial and representative districts of the Territory in accordance with the census of 1910. If Brown's measure, which follows closely the provisions of the reapportionment law, is adopted it will result in giving Oahu a working majority in each house. At present the Oahu delegations need support from the outlying islands in securing needed local legislation.

Though the law plainly requires that the apportionment must be made, the districts which will be materially affected by the change have lined up strongly against the measure and hope to muster sufficient strength to either amend Brown's bill or prevent its passage.

It was necessary for President Knudsen to call upon the sergeant-at-arms yesterday afternoon to summon sufficient members to secure a quorum. Senators Fennell, Patti, Baker, Coke, Wirtz and Chillingworth were not in their seats when the senate was convened. The stragglers were quickly rounded up in the corridors and brought in.

Senator Chillingworth's much amended banana bill went through third reading and now goes to the house. The measure did not meet with any opposition yesterday and none is anticipated in the lower house.

Senator Coke's bill regulating the manner in which merchandise and fixtures can be sold in bulk, also went through third reading.

Governor Frear, through the territorial secretary, reported to the senate that he had signed senate bills 20, 26, 22 and 31. This makes six bills of all that have been introduced in both houses which have received gubernatorial sanction.

The judiciary committee came to the aid of a number of nervous young actors and actresses now in the city by eliminating places of amusement from Senator Coke's measure regulating the hours of labor of female children under sixteen years of age. Had the bill gone through, it is said, some of the choruses would have lost several members. A few minor amendments in addition were also made. The bill will probably come up for final passage this morning.

There was considerable discussion among the members of the upper house during the day over the proposed visit of the legislators to Hilo and vicinity. It is not believed the plan will be opposed. In the event that the invitation is received from the people of the Big Island it is believed that Saturday, March 15, will be fixed as the time for starting for Hilo, the lawmakers to return to work the following Tuesday morning.

The fate of the Panama-Pacific Exposition appropriation for Hawaii is now in the hands of the promotion committee of the senate. Chillingworth is the father of this measure. It carries an appropriation of \$200,000. So far the measure has not met with any opposition and Senator Chillingworth is confident it will not be opposed by the progressive members of both houses.

The commission having in charge arrangements for having Hawaii represented at the big show in San Francisco, in 1915, will probably be called before the promotion committee to outline its plans for spending this money before the measure is finally reported back for passage on second reading.

SONS OF REVOLUTION

TRIBUTE TO THE DEAD

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God, in His infinite mercy, to call home our compatriot and brother, William Dewitt Alexander, after a helpful and earnest stewardship of nearly four score years; and

Whereas, In the death of Doctor Alexander, Hawaii loses one of her noblest sons, one whose deep scholarship, generous nature and manly character, endeared him to all who knew him; and

Whereas, Our society loses one of its earliest and most distinguished patriots, a charter member, a loyal brother, and an earnest supporter of the highest ideals of patriotic service;

Be it Resolved, That we, his compatriots of the Hawaiian Branch of the Sons of the American Revolution, hereby give this public expression of our appreciation of our deceased compatriot and brother. To him it was given to live beyond the usual span of life. His added years had increased the estimation in which he was held. The influence of his life and work will remain as living testimonials of his character and worth. He could enter into his rest conscious of a life well spent, because lived in the service of his fellow-men.

And be it Further Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to the members of his family, the public press, and that a copy be spread upon the records of our society.

ROBT. J. PRATT, President;
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Honolulu, March 1.

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NO SIDESTEPPING IN INVESTIGATION

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE MUST PROBE BANANA GRAFT ALLEGATIONS.

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Sheldon's bluff was called by the house yesterday and, as a result, he, as chairman of the judiciary committee, will have to direct the investigation on the Honorable Jack Kalkela.

Early in the morning session Representative Sheldon asked leave to make an oral report for the judiciary committee on H. R. 61, referred to it for consideration. Being granted leave to do so, he reported the committee recommended the matter of the investigation of Representative Kalkela be turned over to a select committee.

He claimed the regular committee was too busy; under the rules its members could not absent themselves during sessions of the house in order to carry out the investigation, while a select committee would be accorded that privilege; the resolution called for an investigation forthwith and one of his clerks was ill and his committee was otherwise hampered with a lot of bills to consider; if the committee did not pay attention to the bills then the various members would arise in wrath and demand to know what had become of their measures and so on, ad libitum.

The "Hon. Jack" Kalkela took the floor and with intense and terse earnestness informed the house the resolution purposely required the judiciary committee to conduct the probing of himself in connection with the allegations of graft over the filling of banana claims.

The Proper Thing.

"It is the proper thing to do, and it is their business to investigate charges like these," exclaimed Kalkela, with a look of martyrdom all over his ample features. He opposed the matter of the investigation going over to a select committee.

Coney took a hand in the game and came out in support of Sheldon, his Kauai colleague. He thought a select committee would be the right stunt, as it could do justice in a short time.

The Democratic member of the judiciary committee, Poepeo, arose and, in a pompous manner, announced that he, as a Senator and member of the judiciary committee, did not shirk his duty in the premises and he was ready to have the matter handled entirely, and properly, as it should be, by the body which contained all the legal luminaries of the house.

"Foxy Grandpa" Sheldon thought he would get Poepeo on the hip and arose to a point of order. Poepeo and McCandless had exchanged seats and the orator was out of order for not "sitting in his seat," while he stood to address the Chair. The point of order was overruled, the Speaker explaining the members had previously requested and received his consent to swap seats, but that he, the Speaker, had forgotten to announce the trade to the house.

Investigation to Go On.

All this discussion would not be complete without Kawewehi having a word to say, and he said it. "It is the business of the judiciary committee to do its duties," announced the "General," and that settled it.

Sheldon, seeing his allies all deserting him, launched forth into a fearful plea in Hawaiian, but it wouldn't work, and didn't. He then moved the adoption of his verbal report, seconded in a half-hearted manner by some member. Representative Watkins moved the judiciary committee be made a select committee to handle the Kalkela charges and this was seconded. Watkins naively remarking that, as a select committee, the members of the judiciary could abscond themselves from the hall of the lawmakers during sessions. The motion was declared out of order.

Before putting the original motion, Speaker Holstein remarked that the judiciary committee might hold evening sessions. The motion to accept Sheldon's oral report was lost and the judiciary committee will now have to grapple with the question of Kalkela's guilt or innocence.

Late during the afternoon yesterday house subpoenas were issued and Ser was a busy man serving them on parliament-at-arms Robert Walpa Parker, in the city, to attend as witnesses in the coming hearing of the charges.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PARTY OF MILLIONAIRES

Millionaire Henry J. Heinz, the Pittsburgh condiment packer, who has a party of thirty making a tour of the world, will arrive here in the Tenyo Maru tomorrow morning. The entire party is en route to Zurich, Switzerland, where they will attend a Sunday-school conference. The party will be met here by a delegation of Sunday-school workers, and will be taken around the city in autos. At twelve o'clock a luncheon will be given at Central Union Church, with Dr. Doremus Seudder, presiding. At half past one a Sunday-school church rally will be held at Kawaiahae Church, with Rev. H. P. Judd presiding. The party will be here only during the time the vessel remains in port.

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NATURAL HISTORY CLASS DISCOURSES

WHY PHEASANTS ROOST HIGH; WHY THE MONGOOSE SCRATCHES HIMSELF TO DEATH.

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Supervisor McClellan qualified as an anthropologist of no mean ability at the meeting of the board of supervisors Tuesday night, when his learned discourse on pheasants, foreign and domestic, and the death rate in the mongoose tribe, induced the others to provide for the purchase of a number of pheasants to be distributed over the island.

Professor McClellan, who informed the Supervisors yesterday on pheasants and the mongoose. *****

The matter came up when McClellan called attention of the board to the fact that the city has a fund of \$1100 left by the previous administration and which can only be used for the purchase of birds. He stated that E. O. Hall & Son had just received eight valuable pheasants from the wilds of Korea, which the firm was willing to sell to the city at \$35.00 each, the cost.

Supervisor Petrie said he understood that there were people here who were raising pheasants, and that it might be a good plan to buy from them and keep the money here, or to start a city pheasant farm with the balance of the appropriation.

It was at this juncture that Professor McClellan saw his opportunity. "The pheasants which we are about to introduce from Japan," he said "are superior to the local branch of the family in that they live on the mountains and roost in trees, while the pheasant we have here makes his home in the lowlands where the artful mongoose has his habitat and has pheasants or pheasants eggs for his meals three times a day. The other pheasant, by roosting high, escapes the mongoose."

"This high-roost pheasant, does he lay egg on ground, too?" inquired the Honorable Jay Fenn, who is naturally interested in birdlore.

"Yes, they both lay on the ground," replied McClellan, "but in this connection I am glad to report that I have heard from a number of sources that the mongoose is dying out. A species of wood tick, of which I have not the botanical name, is destroying this reptile by stinging him so severely and often that he scratches himself to death, and they are fast disappearing. I think my learned friend Supervisor Cox can vouch for this."

"I don't know anything about the wood tick," said Mr. Cox, "but there are not as many mongooses as there used to be in my district."

"After listening to Mr. McClellan's learned dissertation on the flora and the fauna of Oahu," said Supervisor Petrie, "I am heartily in favor of buying more pheasants, and I move that the city buy fifty more, inasmuch as the money in this fund cannot be used for anything else."

The motion carried, with the provision that McClellan, as chairman of the ways and means committee, should take the birds to the other side of the island and see that they are distributed outside of private shooting preserves.

SERGEANT M'GRAM CLEARED OF BLAME

While handling an automatic revolver Sergeant M'Gram pulled the trigger and the bullet lodged in the body of a fellow soldier at Fort Ruger several months ago. The wounded man did not survive and the sergeant was held in custody and charged with manslaughter.

The court martial which tried the sergeant found that the soldier was not guilty of intentional homicide and dismissed the charge against him but found him guilty of criminal negligence and assessed a fine of ten dollars.

The findings went to the reviewing authority of the Western Division at San Francisco and he disapproved of the findings on the ground that the man not having been guilty of intentional manslaughter could not then be guilty of criminality in the handling of the weapon which destroyed his companion's life. The result is that the sergeant is cleared entirely and his record therefore continues without a criminal blemish which would have been the case had the fine of ten dollars stood.

HONOLULU IS HEADQUARTERS.

In the published orders of Brigadier General Macomb, assuming command of the First Hawaiian Brigade, composed of the First, Second and Twenty-fifth Infantry regiments, Headquarters thereof, his personal staff, the order reads, is composed of First Lieut. Frank M. Andrews, Second Cavalry, as aide-de-camp. The appointment of adjutant is left open.

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HOUSE KILLS SIX BILLS, THEN IT PASSES TWO—KANIHIO DON'T KNOW ENGLISH.

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Yesterday's session of the house saw the discard grow considerably, no less than six house bills being tabled on recommendation of the respective committees.

Three of these bills touched on the minimum compensation for workmen on public works. H. B. 85, by Goodness, which would amend the law in the matter of jurisdiction relating to divorce, separation and nullity of marriage, inasmuch as the laws now cover cases in which one or the other party is an inmate of the Molekai Settlement. The judiciary committee felt the present law is ample and fully covers the subject and therefore recommended the tabling of the bill. This was done. The recommendation that Silva's H. B. 24, on minimum banking companies' capitalization, as amended, sent a like measure, by Tavares, into the discard.

The last unfortunate bill of the day to bite the dust and be laid on the table was G. P. Cooke's H. B. 109, which would appropriate \$3000 to be expended in making 100 points of historic and legendary interest in the Territory.

Two bills passed third reading yesterday. Of these, H. B. 28, makes an appropriation of \$1500 per year, during life, for Judge Jacob Hardy, who resigned recently as circuit judge of Kauai, after fifty years service on the bench. H. B. 39, by Kapiheha, provides for a comprehensive course in manual and agricultural training and an elementary course of civil government and political economy in the public schools of the Territory.

S. B. 7, up for third reading yesterday, had to go over until today, so that Mr. Kanihio could have time to get it translated into Hawaiian for his exclusive benefit. When the bill was reported by the clerk, Kanihio kicked because he had no Hawaiian translation and he started to take the sergeant-at-arms over the coals for his negligence in not furnishing the translated "Canon Ball" of Kohna with a copy of the translated bill. With a patience which is sometimes much tried, Speaker Holstein informed Kanihio that the senate did all its business in English and required no Hawaiian translations; hence no Hawaiian copies could be had. Sheldon moved the bill go over for one day, "out of courtesy to the honorable member of the fifth district."

Chairman Sheldon, of the judiciary committee, rapped Representative Sheldon of Kauai on the wrist in reporting that H. B. 86, relating to new trials and reversals on appeal, which the committee recommended should be tabled, and it was.

Representative Tavares obtained leave of absence and left yesterday morning on a visit to his Maui home.

Collector of Internal Revenue C. A. Cottrill and T. J. Watson of Toledo, Ohio, were visitors at the house during the morning session and occupied some of the former royal chairs. Mr. Watson is a prominent banker and oil man. He spent last winter in Cuba and South America with his wife and this winter they have been traveling in the West and in Hawaii. "If I was ten years younger," said Mr. Watson yesterday, "we would move to Hawaii altogether." The malihini was greatly interested in the work of the house.

BISHOP OF MONTANA IN MANY MISSIONS

Bishop Lucero of the Methodist Church has been conducting very interesting and inspiring services in the various Oriental churches of the city during this week. The meeting Tuesday evening at the River Street Japanese church was very well attended and all present seemed much encouraged. Last night ordination services were held at the Korean Compound. After a convincing sermon by the Bishop on "The Power of the Holy Spirit," Rev. U. S. Kim was ordained elder. Mr. Kim was a preacher on these islands for several years and afterwards became teacher of the Korean language at Mills for two years. Last June he left for the coast to attend a Bible training school. He is now on his way back to Korea as a missionary to his own people. The local Koreans gave him a warm welcome.

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PROPOSING NEW DEPARTMENT PLAN

Notwithstanding reports which have come to the board of harbor commissioners of opposition to any attempt to revise the present harbor laws of the Territory, that body yesterday took preliminary steps toward asking for the repeal of practically every obsolete harbor law now on the statute books and the substitution of a law which will revolutionize the old method of handling the harbor business. About forty sections in all would be affected.

Discussion of the proposed measure with Attorney General Thayer occupied practically all the afternoon session of the harbor commission yesterday. Most of the important features were decided upon at that time. Attorney General Thayer will probably prepare a final draft of the proposed laws today and the bill will be introduced as soon as possible. The discussion brought out the fact that the harbor commission will welcome opposition at this time rather than after the law goes into effect.

One feature, which it is said will be opposed, will be that providing a charge for incoming as well as outgoing cargoes. The sugar producers would feel this, it is stated. In return it is claimed that one reason for the Territory going to such expense in improving its harbors and wharves is to facilitate the handling of sugar as well as other cargoes, thereby saving the big shippers more than would be the case with obsolete facilities.

Proposed Sections.

The fixing of a maximum rate for demurrage, wharfage and tolls is not definitely decided upon.

One section will provide that ten per cent of the gross receipts from the wharves and harbors shall be set aside each year to pay the harbor and wharf debt. Another section will make persons attempting to evade payment of charges subject to double rates and make such obligations a lien on the cargoes.

One of the main purposes sought, however, is to have the harbor and wharves of the Territory organized into a separate department, made self-sustaining, as far as possible, and conducted along lines similar to those followed by the water department under the direction of the department of public works.

Commissioners McStocker, McCarthy, Wakefield and Berndt, who were present at the meeting yesterday, were of the same opinion regarding the necessity of remodeling the harbor and wharf laws and for placing those departments on an independent and self-supporting basis.

A letter of thanks was ordered sent to Admiral Cowles for granting permission to the Territory to use land owned by the federal government for a period of six months to facilitate the building of a floating dock, now under course of construction by the Inter-Island Company.

Seattle Is Enquiring.

Seattle is out in earnest after the shipping trade of the Pacific. That city is preparing to spend millions on harbor work, according to a letter received from that city by the commission. This was read yesterday. The letter asks for detailed information relating to the amount of shipping handled here, the facilities for loading and unloading ships, the charges made and other statistical information in general. Secretary Berndt was delegated to reply to the letter.

Assistant Superintendent Wheeler, of the department of public works, submitted a number of reports on harbor work now in progress and contemplated. Harbormaster Foster was present to report conditions in his department.

A number of communications of minor importance were read and several bills were allowed before adjournment was taken. One communication came from Senator Rice, of the senate committee on ways and means, announcing that the members of the harbor commission will be asked to attend a meeting of the ways and means committee when the harbor improvement appropriation bills are brought before that committee for action.

MEXICAN CRUISE AFFECTS COWLES

Rear Admiral Cowles may not leave for San Francisco next Tuesday as he planned, owing to the present orders directing the Pacific fleet to be in Mexican waters. As Admiral Cowles is to succeed to the command of the Pacific fleet, and Admiral Southerland, the present commander-in-chief, is now busy with the fleet away from California, it is possible that Admiral Cowles may receive orders directing him to remain in Honolulu a little longer. Should this be the case the proposed ceremony of the change of administration at the Honolulu naval station will be postponed. Meanwhile, Honolulu has the good fortune to entertain two admirals, as Admiral Moore has been here a few weeks already waiting to succeed Admiral Cowles.

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Albert H. Kiviat, of the Irish American Club, of New York, is the new holder of the indoor one-mile run. At the meet of the Columbia University recently held in New York he covered the distance in 4:12 1/4. The previous record was 4:18 3/4.